

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of : Hironori Kobayashi	)	CUSTOMER NO. 27,717
Title: STRUCTURE FOR PATTERN	)	
FORMATION, METHOD FOR	)	
PATTERN FORMATION, AND	)	
APPLICATION THEREOF	)	Examiner: John A. McPherson
Serial No.: 09/882,409	)	Group Art Unit: 1756
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**TERMINAL DISCLAIMER TO OBVIATE  
A DOUBLE PATENTING REJECTION (37 CFR. § 1.321(c))**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Respectfully Submitted,

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